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MINNESOTA'S JANUARY MILK OUTPUT UP 0.5 PERCENT

January 2012 milk production totaled 770 million pounds in Minnesota, up 0.5 percent from the 766 million pounds produced in January 2011, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. Revised December 2011 milk output was 753 million pounds.

Minnesota's production per cow averaged 1,655 pounds in January 2012, up 25 pounds from last January. The revised December 2011 rate was 1,620 pounds per cow. The average number of milk cows on farms in Minnesota during January 2012 was 465,000 head, unchanged from the revised December 2011 number, but down 5,000 head from one year ago.

JANUARY MILK PRODUCTION UP 3.7 PERCENT

Milk production in the 23 major States during January totaled 15.8 billion pounds, up 3.7 percent from January 2011. December revised production, at 15.4 billion pounds, was up 2.7 percent from December 2010. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,857 pounds for January, 46 pounds above January 2011. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.50 million head, 93,000 head more than January 2011, and 13,000 more than December 2011.

MILK PRODUCTION, MAJOR STATES

State	MILK COWS			RATE PER COW			MILK PRODUCTION			
	Jan 2011	Dec 2011 Rev.	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	Dec 2011 Rev.	Jan 2012	Jan 2011	Dec 2011 Rev.	Jan 2012	2012 as % of 2011
	<u>Thousand Head</u>			<u>Pounds</u>			<u>Million Pounds</u>			<u>Percent</u>
CA	1,752	1,779	1,781	1,935	1,965	2,030	3,390	3,496	3,615	106.6
ID	573	580	581	1,860	1,910	1,920	1,066	1,108	1,116	104.7
MN	470	465	465	1,630	1,620	1,655	766	753	770	100.5
NY	610	610	610	1,775	1,755	1,780	1,083	1,071	1,086	100.3
PA	543	539	540	1,640	1,650	1,660	891	889	896	100.6
WI	1,265	1,265	1,265	1,735	1,755	1,800	2,195	2,220	2,277	103.7
23 States	8,405	8,485	8,498	1,811	1,818	1,857	15,219	15,426	15,782	103.7

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